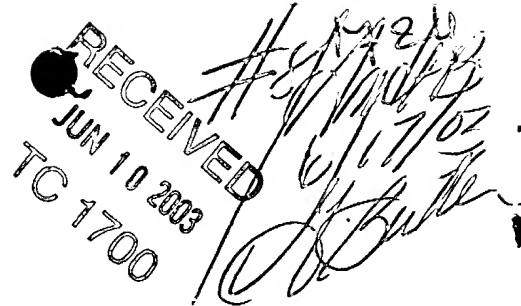




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Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated May 9, 2003, kindly amend the
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